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Docket:	MIPS.0169-00-US	Art Unit:	2126
Customer No.:	23669		
Serial No.:	09/608750		
Filing Date:	06/30/00		
Title:	METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR MANAGING A BUFFER OF EVENTS IN THE BACKGROUND		

**AMENDMENT D**

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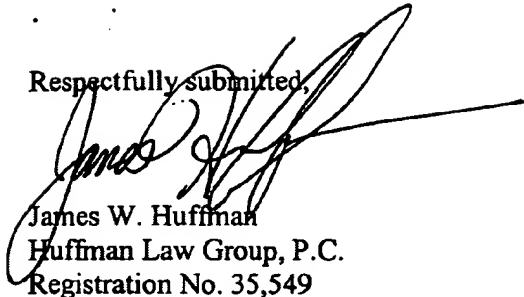
**Introductory Comments § m.**

In response to the Office action of June 7, 2004 with a statutory period of response set to expire September 7, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A Petition for Extension of Time (3 months) is attached hereto which if granted will extend the period of response to December 7, 2004.

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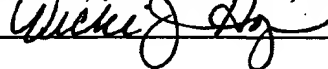
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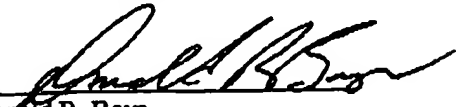
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applicant's invention as embodied in claim 1, characterized in that the BEBM handles all event ordering and accounting for the processor. Applicant's independent claim 25 recites applicant's method claim in accordance with the independent apparatus claims. The Examiner has rejected claims 9, 17 and 25 using the criteria for the rejection of applicant's claim 1, with the exception of the recitation of "memory coupled to the processor" in claim 9, stating that Chang discloses this limitation. In view of the above arguments presented by applicant on behalf of claim 1, claims 9, 17 and 25 are then also clearly and unarguably patentable over Chang, and depending claims 2-8, 10-16, 18-24 and 26-32 are then patentable on their own merits, or at least as depended from a patentable claim.

As all of the claims have been clearly shown to be patentable over Chang, applicant respectfully requests that this application be reconsidered, the claims be allowed, and that this case be passed quickly to issue.

If there are any time extensions needed beyond any extension specifically requested with this amendment, such extension of time is hereby requested. If there are any fees due beyond any fees paid with this amendment, authorization is given to deduct such fees from deposit account 50-0534.

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